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SUBJECT: LI PENG'S TRIP TO EUROPE AND NEW YORK --  
A PLUS FOR CHINA (AND FOR LI)

1. [REDACTED]

2. SUMMARY: CHINESE PREMIER LI PENG'S LONG-PLANNED WINTER VISIT TO EUROPE WILL NOW BE SUPPLEMENTED BY A TRIP TO NEW YORK FOR THE BRITISH-SPONSORED WASC HEADS OF GOVERNMENT MEETING. THE ADDITION OF THE NEW YORK MEETING -- AND POSSIBLE BILATERALS THERE -- TO A SCHEDULE THAT NOW INCLUDES SWITZERLAND, ITALY, PORTUGAL, SPAIN AND (PERHAPS) MALTA, WILL, FOR CHINA, MARK A FURTHER (AND IN CHINA'S VIEW NEARLY-COMPLETE) MOVING AWAY FROM THE SHADOW OF TIANANMEN AND THE SUBSEQUENT INTERNATIONAL ISOLATION.

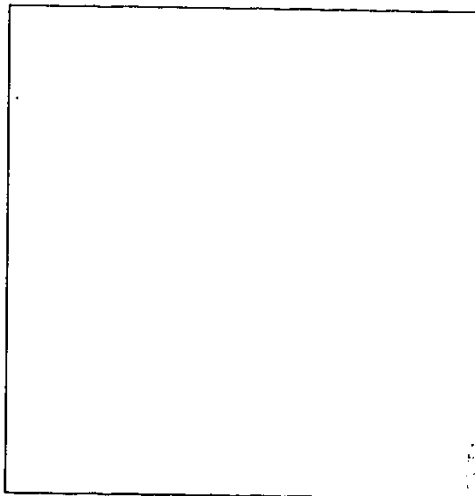
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SUMMARY

3. ACCORDING TO DIPLOMATIC COLLEAGUES HERE, LI PENG'S JANUARY/FEBRUARY TRIP TO EUROPE (AND NOW NEW YORK) IS SHAPING UP AS FOLLOWS -- JANUARY 25-27 IN ROME, JANUARY 27-29 IN BERN, JANUARY 30 IN DAVOS TO DELIVER A SPEECH, JANUARY 31 IN NEW YORK FOR THE SPECIAL UN SECURITY COUNCIL HEADS OF GOVERNMENT

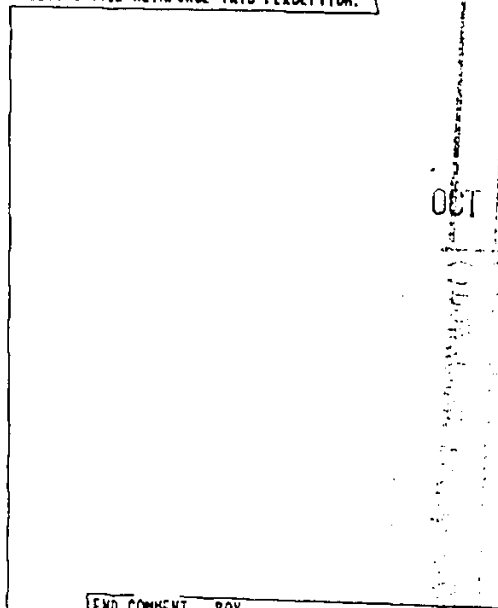
MEETING, FEBRUARY 1 EITHER IN VALETTA OR IN NEW YORK FOR BILATERALS, FEBRUARY 2-4 IN LISBON AND FEBRUARY 4-6 IN MADRID. THE SCHEDULE IS NOT PUBLIC YET AND

MAY BE SUBJECT TO ALTERATION, IN PART BECAUSE OF CHANGES BROUGHT BY THE U.K. INVITATION TO THE WASC SPECIAL SESSION.



6. COMMENT: THE EUROPEAN TRIP WAS CLEARLY SEEN BY THE CHINESE AS A NEAR-FINAL STEP IN CHINA'S MOVEMENT

AWAY FROM THE SHADOW OF TIANANMEN AND RELATED WESTERN OPPOBRIUM. LI'S ATTENDANCE AT THE NEW YORK MEETING WILL REINFORCE THIS PERCEPTION.



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